

ARSENAL AND SILVIS SHOPS SHOW COLORS

Send Largest Delegations Representing Interests to Tabernacle.

From the platform it looked like it was 50-50 in the size of the two big delegations at the Sunday tabernacle last evening; the employees of the Rock Island arsenal and the employees of the Silvis shops.

But by actual count the arsenal people had it on the Silvis delegation for the former numbered 3,200 while the latter was something less than that. These are the largest single shop delegations that have as yet taken part in the Sunday meetings and they made a splendid showing as they rose to their feet at the invitation of Roder, in fact it looked as if the entire audience was made up of employees from these two shops.

The arsenal people had a boys' drum corps to help in their demonstration and they sang "America" and "Hold the Fort" with the assistance of the choir and audience although they could have done it very well themselves.

In addition to the Silvis and arsenal delegations there were a number of other groups of people that occupied reserved seat sections and included among these were: 100 Watsons, Davenport boys, 200 brotherhood men, 250 Moline Mission tabernacle people, 200 Moline First Congregational church people, 150 Moline Union Congregational people, boys' class First Baptist church, Moline, and 175 members of the Davenport Linograph company. None of these had any special demonstration arranged, though the latter people had a large manner suspended above them informing the rest that they were of the Linograph family.

At the close of the services, many of the people came forward to shake the hand of Mr. Sunday, approximately 300 taking a new stand.

DRURY

Mr. and Mrs. Burnett Brown of Detroit, Mich., have returned to Muscatine, where they will reside. Mr. Brown is engaged in the automobile business. Mrs. Brown was formerly Miss Donna Warman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Warman.

Mrs. A. B. Cheeney of Muscatine spent a part of last week with her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Warman.

Latest reports from Mrs. Fred Fryermuth and Paul Martin, who are ill at the Hirshey hospital, are that they are improving.

Thomas Watson spent Saturday in Rock Island and attended the Sunday meeting Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kleist and daughters, Sadie and Kathryn, spent Saturday evening and Sunday in Rock Island where they attended the Sunday services.

A revival effort for a period of two weeks is being put forth at the Wrayville M. E. church.

Mr. and Mrs. Einhaus of Detroit, Mich., paid a visit to Mrs. M. Zollner and other relatives in this vicinity the past week, returning home Tuesday.

Mrs. W. and J. L. Gillett visited Mr. and Mrs. James Milne Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Marilla Mills. Mr. and Mrs. Milne, who were former residents here, recently returned from Campbellville, Ky., and plan to again reside here.

Mr. and Mrs. William Parker returned Monday to their home at Nashua, the homes of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. and William Ripley, a trip having been made by automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. George Workman are moving onto their farm where a new cottage is being erected.

Over sixty of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watson met at their home Tuesday evening, the occasion being in honor of Mrs. Watson's birthday, the friends having planned a surprise. They were very pleasantly entertained, refreshments being served. Mrs. Watson was the recipient of several beautiful gifts, among them a gold watch from her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. George Krougar returned Tuesday from a visit in Arkansas.

Today's Anniversaries

1819—Eunice P. Cutter, reformer, who furnished to John Brown the cartridges used in the Osawatimie fight, born at Warren, Mass. Died there in 1893.

1869—Joseph Rittner, governor of Pennsylvania in the "Buckshot War," died at Carlisle, Pa. Born in Berks county, Pa., March 25, 1870.

1902—President Roosevelt appointed a commission to investigate and settle questions involved in the great anthracite coal strike.

1903—Dr. John Alexander Dowie and 3,500 of his followers invaded New York city.

1906—Mrs. Jefferson Davis, widow of the president of the Confederacy, died in New York city. Born at Natchez, Miss., May 7, 1824.

1912—General Felix Diaz raised the standard of revolt against the Madero government in Mexico and took possession of Vera Cruz.

1914—Germans occupied Ostend, famous Belgian seaport town.

1916—Great Britain declared war on Bulgaria.

1916—Entente powers recognized provisional government set up by former Greek Premier Venizelos.

1917—British under Field Marshal Haig, continued a vigorous offensive in Flanders.

October sale of silks, dress goods and wash goods all this week at McCabes.

All the news all the time—The Argus.

Old Time Religion Sets High Ideals Always to Be Attained; Others Are Low and Easily Reached

After telling the story of the woman of Capernaum who touched Jesus' garment and was healed, relating the incident of the evil spirits that were driven out of a man and into the hogs, Mr. Sunday last evening in speaking on his subject, "The Timid Woman," continued:

It makes a lot of difference whether you look at things from the standpoint of manhood and womanhood and childhood. The man who thinks more of his hogs than the hogs, and the woman who thinks more of her child than the child, and the child who thinks more of his play than his playmates, are all in the same line. And it is as easy to bring heaven and hell together as it is to bring Jesus and whilky together.

Now isn't that just like the whiskey business? Oh, it is a blessed business! Doesn't it give employment to many men? Don't you see the saloonkeepers, and penitentiary keepers, and contractors who supply the jails and the penitentiaries, and the insane asylums, and the homes for feeble-minded, and all the institutions of that dirty business, kept packed full of the wreckage of humanity that they get a rich living from the stream of dollars that the devil pours into their pockets? Oh, doesn't it make times good? Doesn't it promote sociability? Doesn't it, my friends, and don't we have good feeling? Don't they shake hands more in the saloons than they do in the church, and don't we need the license to do that?

Nobody ever wins by a compromise. You admire your opponent who fights open and fair. In their hearts, the saloonkeepers are my friends. They don't hate me. They know I don't compromise one inch with their dirty, rotten, stinking business, and they know it is a dirty, rotten, stinking business, as well as I do, my friends. They are only in it for the money that's attached to it. Do anybody good? No, they never did anybody good with a glass of beer in their life. They couldn't do it.

If you prefer society with its sins to Jesus Christ, He will take you at your word. If you prefer profanity to Jesus Christ, He will take you at your word and leave you alone. If you prefer vice to Jesus Christ, if you think more of a whiskey bottle than Jesus Christ; if you'd rather lie than pray; if you'd rather steal than be honest; if you'd rather be deceptive and a double-dyed, treacherous villain than to be honest and pure, Jesus says, "Take it and go with it and the reward will come."

Jesus Will Help.

Oh, nobody loses anything by waiting on Jesus. He can drive back death. He can say to disease, "Go!" and it will stink away like a worm in a den. He can say to the storm, like He did to the Lake of Galilee, "Peace, be still," and the waves will quiet like a babe tugging at its mother's breast.

You don't lose by waiting on Jesus Christ. If he undertakes your case he will see you through to the last ditch, depend upon it.

Now that the scene of the woman who touched the hem of Jesus' garment is before us, look at a lesson or two from this incident, will you? I believe that Jesus halted that throng that day to give encouragement to His disciples, to show them that you can always count on results in the name of Christ when you are doing your best, even when none can be seen. It was necessary for the disciples to begin to learn by faith. You can't always judge by appearance just what God Almighty is doing. A life-long impression was made upon the disciples that day by halting the crowd in the street to show that a great work had been done when they hadn't been expecting it. They had been used to violent manifestations of Jesus' power. They were just back from Gadara, where he had stilled the tempest. They had seen Him cast the devils out of the man and they had seen Him cast the devils out of the boy. Probably the disciples were thinking about what would happen when He got to the house, but they didn't imagine anything would happen before He was there in person to do it.

Oh, we look for great things when we have a revival. Something may happen, the preacher thinks, when the church is crowded on Sunday, but nothing will happen in the little prayer meeting.

And yet the greatest man the 19th century produced, George Miller, was converted in a prayer meeting, and collected over eight million dollars, and fed and clothed and educated 4,000 orphan children, all in response to prayer—converted in a neighborhood prayer meeting.

Something Will Happen.

Something is going to happen now. Why? Oh, God Almighty is leading. Wherever good seed is sown, you can bank on it, some of it will grow. This meeting was arranged for in the providence of God, and Jesus Christ is leading this campaign just as truly as He led the throng down the street of Capernaum nineteen hundred years ago. I know the devil goes to church regularly, but he didn't make arrangements for this meeting. The devil didn't send me an invitation to come here. The devil never sawed a board, the devil never drove a nail, the devil didn't string a wire, the devil didn't lay any pipes, the devil never built a fire. I know the devil isn't preaching. Oh, God is with us and something is going to happen, sir, that will make hell howl, sure as you breathe.

Theology bears the same relation to Christianity that botany to flowers, the same thing. Botany describes flowers. Botany may be off a thousand miles, but that doesn't touch the flower. You can reconstruct theology, but you can't reconstruct Christianity, not on your life. Geologies are rewritten, but they are the same old rocks, the same old rocks. Botany is rewritten, same old flowers, same old flowers. Geologies are rewritten, same old bones. Heads up here, feet down there, hands here, heart here, liver here, lungs

Jesus in the confession that saves you, it is Jesus in the confession. It isn't the mass that saves you. It is Jesus in the mass. It isn't religion that saves you, it is Jesus in the religion. It isn't the baptism that saves you, it is Jesus in the baptism. It isn't the sawdust trail nor my handshake that saves you, it is Jesus Christ in the sawdust trail and my handshake.

The scribes and the Pharisees who crucified Jesus, they were the best theologians in Jerusalem, and the biggest devils this side of hell. Yes, sir. Oh, along theological lines they could split hairs, quarter them and whittle each quarter to a point like a cambric needle.

Oh, folks, nobody is kept out of heaven because they don't know anything about theology, not on your life.

When you bring me some new fangled religion, when you bring me some expurgated edition of the bible, I say:

"You wait until your religion and your bible has made a record. For our bible and our religion has taken sin from the hearts of countless millions, until it has saved millions of drunkards, made thieves to steal no more, made the scarlet woman as white as an Arctic snow-drift, made blasphemers to pray, oh until you can bring me a religion that can show a better record."

than the old gospel of Jesus Christ. I won't consider it, not for an instant."

I will tell you, the old-time religion—listen, my friends, not only presents God as Creator and Preserver and Father, now listen, but it offers the bible as the Word of God, Jesus Christ as the Son of God, the Saviour of the World, as well as the example; and I will not allow Jesus Christ to be stripped of His deity by any God-forsaken bunch on earth. I will fight them first. I don't do it, no sir.

The task that Jesus came to perform was not a man's task. No man aspiring to be a god could do it, but God, condescending to become a man, did it when He died on the cross. He did it; nobody else has done it.

Ideals Low.

Oh, but listen. The adherents of other religions, they say that they live up to their ideals better than the Christians do to their ideals. Well, their ideals are within the reach of everybody and they don't have to live very high to live up to them. No, sir. They don't have to change their way of living very much to live up to the highest ideals of their highest ideal. But, bless God, it is the glory of the Christian ideal that while it is within sight and reach of the weakest and the lowliest, it is so high that

it keeps the best and the noblest men and women with their faces turned upwards, always struggling for higher ideals. The Christian civilization is the greatest ever known in the world, because the Christian religion rests upon a conception of life which makes life one unending progress toward higher and better things. You never get so high that you can't get higher, don't you forget it. You never get so good that you can't get better. There is always something for you to struggle to behind where you are in the Christian religion. You can reach other ideals in other religions, and when you get there, why, that is fine, nothing more to do.

Results Wrong Theology.

Theology can stand up and tell you until it is baldheaded and black in the face that all the water in the world won't save a sinner, and that is true, my friend, without Christ, and yet multitudes have found Christ in the act of baptism, and they have been saved. He is in it.

Theology may tell you that joining the church won't lift you an inch toward heaven, and it is true unless Christ is behind it, and yet people join the church.

I would rather have a man who isn't a Christian join a church than

to have a fellow that isn't a Christian stay out, because the fellow that isn't a Christian and joins the church, he is trying to touch something that God is in.

Jesus was no hair-splitter. He wasn't hide-bound and dead set on having things done decently and in order and in a legal way as was the case of those long-tailed, double-breasted, coated, kid-gloved, horizontal, perpendicular, stiff, petrified, mildewed, stamped-on-the-cork, dyed-in-the-wool, blown-in-the-bottle old Pharisees who nailed Jesus Christ on the cross simply because He wouldn't do things the way they wanted Him to do it, bless His old heart.

Thank God, He has the same kind of a heart and the same kind heart that a mother has when she sees her little one fall flat, doing its best to come to her when she calls it; and He sees us coming, my friends, if we will come heart first. I don't care a rap how much you tumble, I don't care how little you know. Jesus will always let healing virtues go out to the man or woman that is trying to fight. Do your best. Never mind. Just go on with the knowledge that you have now.

There are people that earnestly and longingly want to be Christians. I bet there are hundreds of

you here tonight, just as this poor woman—she didn't want to be sick but she couldn't help it. You have been living, my friends, without God, and you have gone to the wrong doctors. Everybody has failed. When she went to Jesus, she found peace. Try it tonight.

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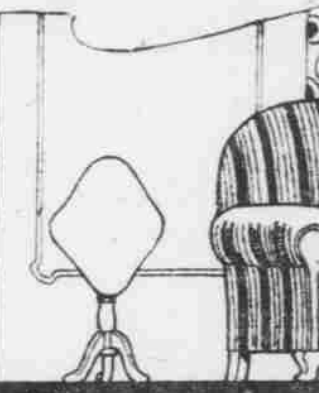
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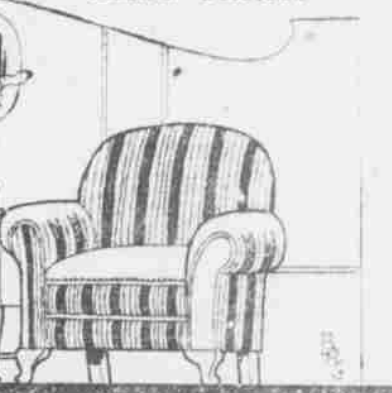
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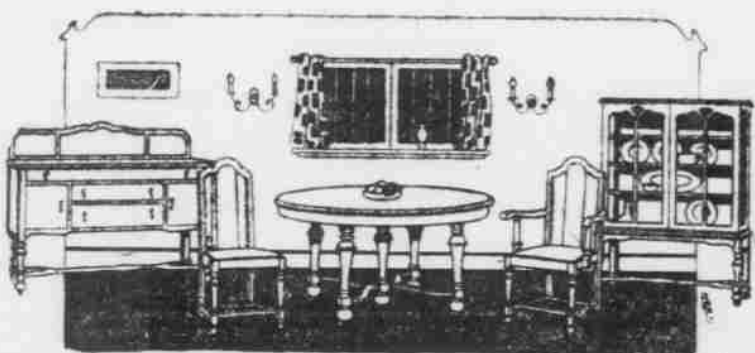
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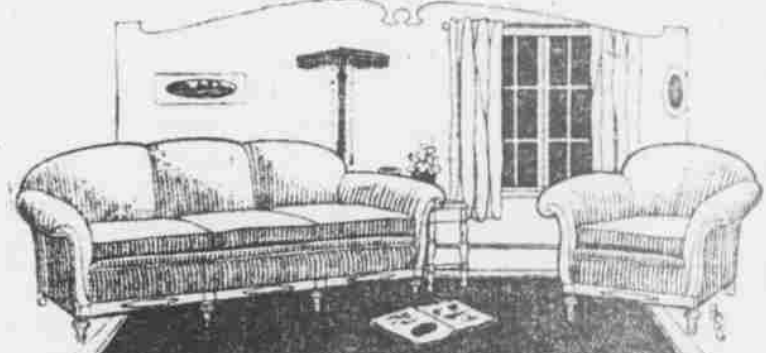
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